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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Security

FROM:

[redacted]  
Chief, Community Security Group

SUBJECT:

[redacted] Study

1. On 17 November, [redacted] informed me of the results of his meeting that day with the DCI on the status of the [redacted] proposal to reconfigure our compartmentation systems. You might find the following of interest.

a. The DCI was overall favorably disposed toward the [redacted] revision of [redacted] proposal.

b. The DCI questioned [redacted] position on dropping the compartment for HUMINT. [redacted] is to look at this again and meet once more with John McMahon.

c. The DCI leans more toward removing material from current compartmentation than toward tightening up the compartmentation procedures. He encouraged [redacted] to pressure project managers to get as much material out of compartmentation as possible. The DCI himself rearranged [redacted] chart/diagram to show that all product (derived reporting) of [redacted] should be collateral. He also directed [redacted] to try to get Navy to reduce the number of their compartments.

d. The DCI agreed that "funny words" [redacted] [redacted] etc., should not be employed. Compartmented categories would be defined by generic terms, COMINT, IMAGRY, ELINT, and TECHNICAL.

e. The DCI recognized concern of the security elements about the low criteria in the DoD for granting TS and S level clearances and was favorably inclined to consider data supporting a proposal to require a higher personnel security criteria than now exist (but lower than DCID 1/14) for access to National Foreign Intelligence.

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f. The DCI desires that the uniform personnel security standards of DCID 1/14 be retained in connection with the new proposals on compartmentation.

STAT g. While acknowledging that there was yet much to be done the DCI did not extend his deadline. He anticipates that [ ] will have a solid proposal by mid-December to be accompanied by a DCID that will serve to task development of implementing procedures by 1 May.

STAT 2. [ ] will look to us for considerable assistance in the next four weeks. He will also accelerate the rate of meetings with his group and give them many short-term assignments.

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